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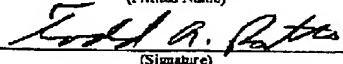
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 10, 2006 in which a Restriction Requirement was imposed under 35 U.S.C. §121. In particular, the Office Action asserted that the claims are directed to two distinct inventions:

Invention I – Claim 1-16 drawn to a media processing device; and

Invention II – Claims 17-26 drawn to a method of accessing media in a media processing device.

In response, Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement and requests that the restriction requirement be withdrawn. Paragraph 3 of the Office Action asserts that Invention I and Invention II are distinct by asserting that "the process of claims 17-26 can be performed by another and materially different apparatus."

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However, the process or method recited in Claims 17-26 specifically recites the use of each and every structural element of the apparatus of Claims 1-16 but for a frame. It is unclear to Applicant how one could practice the process recited in Claim 17-26 without a frame to support the recited media receiver. Since the process of Claims 17-26 must be performed by the apparatus of Claims 1-16, the restriction requirement is improper and should be withdrawn.

Applicant hereby elects Invention I-Claims 1-16, with traverse, for examination. Applicant further notes that the present application includes 27 claims. Applicant respectfully preserves the opportunity to file one or more divisional applications for the non-elected Invention II including Claims 17-27.

Respectfully submitted,

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